

# McDole Elementary School PTO – Minutes

Action Items in *Red*

---

**Date:** January 15, 2019

**Called to Order:** 7:05 pm

**Attendees:** Jen Kmiec, Jen Crocker, Bridget Hagspihl, Julie Gritzner, Dave Wagner, Nicole Jones, Laura Chen, Patrick Raleigh and several via Facebook Live

## Welcome & Introductions

### Secretary's Report:

November minutes provided in meeting and available on the McDole PTO Website. Bridget motioned to waive the reading of the minutes; Jen C. seconded; all agreed.

### Treasurer's Report:

Handed out at meeting. Jen C motioned to approve; Bridget seconded; all agreed.

### Committee Reports:

- Family Fun Nights:
  - Multicultural Night (**Friday, Jan 25 7-9pm**)
    - Flyer with schedule of performers posted today on McDole PTO Facebook page. Will also will be on Virtual Backpack.
  - Tech Take Apart Night (**Tuesday, Feb 26, 6-8 pm**)
    - FB event invite is posted on McDole PTO Facebook page.
- Family Night Out:
  - McDonald's
    - Tips = \$440 for a total of \$739.89 coming to us from McDs. Can schedule next year's date at the end of this year. Next year, create sign up to help direct volunteers to their role.
  - Lou Malnati's (**Wednesday, Jan 30<sup>th</sup>**)
    - Flyer in [Virtual Backpack](#). Will be posted on the McDole PTO Facebook page shortly. Fundraising available during all business hours – Pick up or delivery from Oswego and Aurora locations or additionally dine in from Naperville locations. *Excludes* orders thru app or online. Don't need to turn in the flyer, but need to mention McDole fundraiser.
- Fun Lunches:
  - Online ordering is now open. **Orders due by Sunday, Jan 27<sup>th</sup> – LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED DUE TO THE TIMING THAT RESTAURANTS REQUIRE TO PROVIDE FOR THE EVENTS.** Flyer coming home next week. SignUpGenius was just posted on the McDole PTO Facebook page (at the end of these minutes - see link under Important Links). Will be added to the PTO eBlast.
  - Patrick requested to not host Fun Lunches the Friday leading into breaks – too much to coordinate with other events/activities happening within the school.
  - When the orders close, we will communicate the number of meals we were able to donate.
  - Last Fun Lunch from the Fall round is Jan 25<sup>th</sup>. There are open slots for volunteers – Contact Nicole Smith.
- Winter Donation Drives:
  - A total of 50 toys collected for Kaneland students.
  - A total of 75 winter items were donated to Hesed House.
- Yearbook:
  - Early next, week a flyer will be handed out to order yearbooks. Ordering link will be placed on the McDole Facebook page too.
  - **Friday, Mar 22<sup>nd</sup>** is the order cut off date.

- Yearbook cost is \$13 this year, compared to \$22 last year.
- Skating Helpers:
  - Ms Stark loved the SignUpGenius for volunteers and would like to do it next year. **Need a volunteer to set up the SignUpGenius for next year (need to create timeslots for each grade and PE class).**
- Remaining Events:
  - Celebrate Our Daughters, Trivia Night, and Celebrate Our Sons – dates being scheduled.
  - Bounce Town, Roller Skating, Culvers events are being planned.
  - **Wednesday, Mar 13<sup>th</sup>** – Open House/Spring Basket Raffle

#### **New Business:**

- Halloween Pumpkin Contest (Fall 2019):
  - John Shields hosted this type of event in 2018. Families decorated pumpkins (painted, not carved) based on a book theme. Students voted during library time. Students won Scholastic Dollars.
  - Patrick likes the idea, so we will pursue it for the upcoming school year.
- Smencils:
  - Will have a February date, as well as sales during Young Knights (Kindergarten registration – Saturday, Feb 23).
- Teacher Requests for funds:
  - **Need to be requested by April 1<sup>st</sup>.** No requests today.

#### **Patrick Items:**

- Patrick clarified that lunch timeframes are mandated by the district. Schools have to abide by specific times allotted for classroom/learning, and lunches/recesses are planned based on that schedule.
- The One and Only Ivan – final purchase of books came from the district, not the PTO. Book was chosen to foster family conversations, even though it was a heavy topic.

#### **Important Links:**

- Fun Lunch Volunteer Registration for all events: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c4da5aa2fa5fe3-spring>
- Directory: <https://mcdolepto.ptboard.com/> School Code: B3QPDC
- School Year Volunteer Registration Form: <https://2018-2019mcdoleptovolunteers.paperform.co/>
- Online Reimbursement Request Form: <https://mcdoleptoreimbursements.paperform.co/>
- Paper Reimbursement Request Form: <https://www.mcdolepto.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/Expense-Reimbursement-Check-Request.pdf>
- McDole Staff Favorites Survey: <https://pto.pythonanywhere.com/>
- PTO Website: <http://www.mcdolepto.org/>
- PTO Facebook Page: Search “McDole PTO” in Facebook to view or to be added to the group.
- Kaneland Calendar: <http://www.kaneland.org/calendar>

There was a tie for the Extra Recess award in honor of the most parent attendees (both in person and via Facebook live) during this month’s meeting – **Bradford & Williams**.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 pm.

**Next PTO Meeting:** Tuesday, Feb 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm McDole Library